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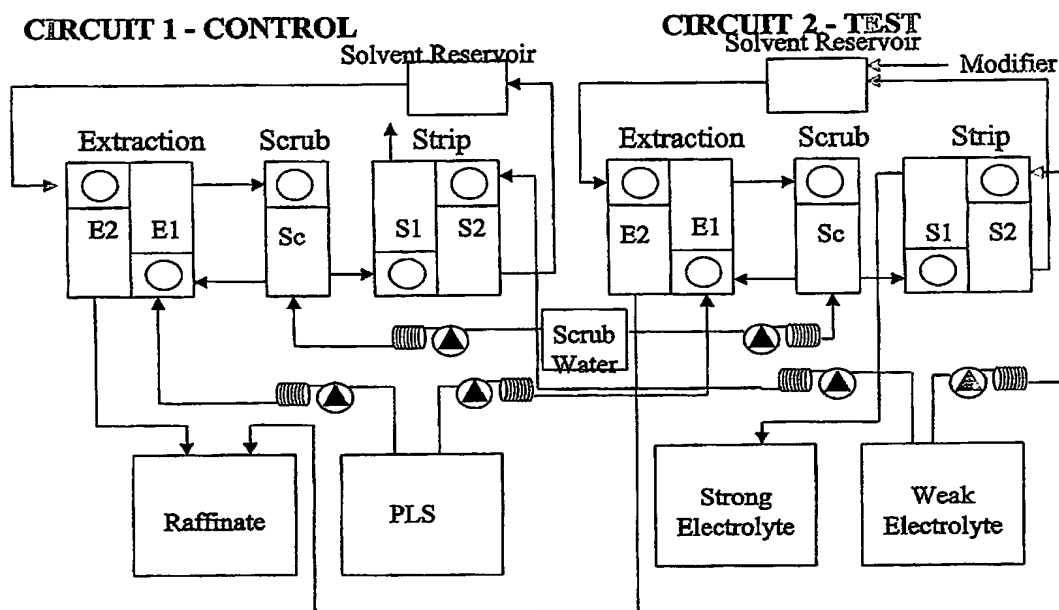
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(54) Title: A SOLVENT EXTRACTION PROCESS



Schematic diagram of mini-pilot plant setup

(57) Abstract: A solvent extraction process is disclosed. The process includes using an organic solvent that contains a non-ionic extractant and a conductivity enhancer that increases the electrical conductivity of the solvent to reduce build-up of static electricity in the process and thereby reduce the electrostatic discharge hazard of the solvent to an adequate fire safety level.

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